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MINUTES OF THE FACULTY for December 12, 1941

The second meeting of the Rollins College Faculty for the year 1941-42 was called to order by President Holt at 4:00 P. M., Friday, December 12, in Knowles 523.

The following members were present: President Holt, Mr. Allen, Dean Anderson, Mr. H. Bailey, Dr. Beatty, Dr. Bradley, Mr. Brown, Mrs. Campbell, Mr. Charnbury, Dean Cleveland, Miss Cox, Mr. de Nove, Mrs. Dougherty, Mr. Dougherty, Dr. Feuerstein, Mr. Fischer, Dr. Fort, Dr. France, Mr. Granberry, Dr. Grover, Mr. Hanna, Dr. Hasbrouck, Mr. Honaas, Dr. P. Hutchings, Dr. W. Hutchings, Mr. Kvan, Mrs. Lamb, Mr. Langdon, Mr. McKean, Dr. Melcher, Mr. Mondell, Miss Moore, Dean Nance, Miss Ortmayer, Miss Packham, Dr. Pattee, Miss Ritch, Mr. Ronoy, Miss Shor, Mr. Siowert, Dr. Smith, Dr. Starr, Mr. Steel, Dr. Stone, Mr. Trampler, Miss Treat, Mr. Trowbridge, Dr. Waddington, Dr. Waite, Mr. Wattles, Miss Weber, Mr. Weinberg, Dr. Young, Mr. Yust.

Miss Treat announced that report cards are due December 18 and asked that all absence slips be in at the same time.

Dean Anderson presented the question of absences before and after vacation and asked the secretary to read the action of the faculty on May 30, 1941.

The secretary then read the following motion of the Council:

"On the assumption that absence from class at the beginning or end of the term has both academic and disciplinary significance, it was moved that: (1) each faculty member be requested to notify his students that when a student misses a class at the beginning or end of a term he is missing about three times the value of a single meeting. This meeting can not be made up for if the Conference Method is employed the conference can not be repeated; (2) each faculty member report to the chairman of the Student-Faculty Court such excuses for absences as he deems not valid. Only those students are to be dealt with by the Court."

This recommendation was unanimously adopted by the faculty.

The secretary read the following recommendation from the Faculty Committee on Student Standing:

"At the last meeting of the Faculty Committee on Student Standing it was voted unanimously that we recommend to the faculty that no extension of the spring vacation be granted for the following reasons: it will increase the opportunity for students to be absent from college without proper social regulations; it will increase expense both to parents and the college; more students will wish to go home and return late after vacation; a later date for closing will make more students and faculty wish to leave early in June; when this question was thoroughly discussed by the faculty several years ago, the short spring vacation was adopted so that the students should have no opportunity to go north or any distance away, and the Committee sees no reason for making a change."

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On the motion of Mr. Weinberg this recommendation was carried unanimously.

The secretary read the following recommendation from the Faculty Committee on Student Standing:

"At the last meeting of the Faculty Committee on Student Standing it was voted unanimously that it be recommended to the faculty that a committee be appointed to consider the question of abolishing ratting or placing it under control and that this committee report to the faculty."

On the motion of Dr. Franco this recommendation was carried.

Dr. Franco nominated Mr. Trowbridge and Dr. Beatty nominated Dr. Waddington as men faculty members to the Student-Faculty Discipline Committee. On the motion of Dr. Smith, nominations were closed and the secretary was instructed to cast a unanimous ballot.

Dr. Feuerstein nominated Mrs. Hutchings as woman member of the Student-Faculty Discipline Committee, and Dr. Waite nominated Miss Ortmayer as alternate. On the motion of Dr. Smith, nominations were closed and the secretary was instructed to cast a unanimous ballot.

Mr. Steel, as former member of the Student Council, reported that the Council had asked that Dr. Beatty be chosen as member for this year. On the motion of Mr. Weinberg, Dr. Beatty was elected unanimously.

Dean Anderson announced that the Civilian Pilot Training will be continued in the spring term and suggested that students be advised to take the course. This will enable them to complete their academic year and give them a better chance to obtain a commission. Students taking this work are given credit for one academic course on receiving their liconse.

There was discussion of the possibility of the lowering of the draft age and the advisability of encouraging students to remain in college until they are actually called.

Dean Anderson announced that the following defense committees have been appointed: General Chairman--Dean Anderson, Committee on Curriculum and Assemblies--Dean Anderson, chairman; Committee on Extra-Curricular Activities--Dean Enyart, chairman; Committee on Emergency Safety Precaution--Mr. Weinberg, chairman; Committee on Physical Education, Dr. Adams, chairman.

Dean Anderson spoke of the possibility of cutting out seminars and cutting down on extra-curricular activities in order to allow time for defense courses and activities.

Dean Anderson announced that on Monday, Bill of Rights Day, there will be a required assembly which will include a suitable program and the announcement of proposed defense courses.

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President Holt spoke of the necessity of adjustment and possible changes in the college schedule and our personal lives to meet the national requirements without yielding to hysteria or departing from the normal course any more than is necessary.

Dr. Beatty asked that the College consider putting in a buzzer system in place of the bugle since this has proved to be unpunctual and difficult to hear. General discussion but no action.

Dean Anderson read the list of defense courses which are being given or proposed.

On the motion of Mr. Weinberg the meeting adjourned at 4:55 P. M.

Anna B. Treat
Secretary

(Please report any corrections to the Secretary)